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SUBJ: INITIAL GOJ REACTION TO RABIN STATEMENT ON WEST BANK

WITHDRAWAL

1. ALL JORDANIAN PAPERS UNDER FRONT-PAGE HEADLINES OCT 3 REPORTED STATEMENT BY ISRAELI PM RABIN DURING OCT 2 TV INTERVIEW. WEST BANK-ORIENTED AL-DUSTOUR DEADLINE: "RABIN OFFERS WITHDRAWAL FROM WEST BANK IN EXCHANGE FOR JORDANIAN DECLARATION OF END OF BELLIGERANCY".

GOJ-SPONSORED AL-RAYY: "RABIN AFFIRMS INTENTION TO RETAIN JERUSALEM, GOLAN, AND RAFAH". IN CARRYING WITHDRAWAL-FOR-NON-BELLIGERENCY STATEMENT, ALL PAPERS MENTIONED RABIN INSISTENCE THAT KSRAEL WOULD NOT HOWEVER ABANDON JERUSALEM, GOLAN, AND RAFAH AREAS BETWEEN GAZA AND SINAI, BUT MUST STRENGTHEN ISRAELI PRESENCE IN THESE AREAS.

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2.AL-DUSTOUR EDITORIALIZES: "RABIN'S STATEMENT HAS BEEN MADE

ON PURPOSE IN ORDER TO INCREASE THE ESTRANGEMENT AMONG THE ARABS BY GIVING THEM THE IMPRESSION THAT JORDAN IS WORKING TO ACHIEVE A UNILATERAL SETTLEMENT WITH ISRAEL...ISRAEL ALSO WISHES APPEAR DESIROUS FOR PEACE AND AMENABLE TO CONCESSIONS". ARTICLE STATES THAT CURRENT ARAB DIFFERENCES GIVE ISRAEL AN OPEN FIELD FOR SUCH "WICKED MANEUVERES". AL-RAYY EDITORIAL CONCENTRATES ON RABIN INSISTENCE ON JEWISH PRESENCE IN JERUSALEM, GOLAN, AND RAFAH: "THUS WE HEAR AND SEE TALK AND ACTIONS PREPARING FOR WAR AT THE VERY TIME WHEN THE WORLD IS WORKING FOR A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT...ISRAEL IS CONTINUING TO MANEUVER BY PLACING MINES ON THE ROAD TO PEACE, BUT ISRAEL SHOULD REALIZE MORE THAN OTHERS THAT THE POLICY OF FAIT ACCOMPLI HAS FAILED MISERABLY TO GAIN FOR ISRAEL EITHER PEACE OR SECURITY".

3. SHORT ANNOUNCEMENT APPENDED TO FRONT-PAGE ARTICLES READS: "THE GOJ OFFICIAL SPOKESMAN HAS DECLINED COMMENT ON THE RABIN OFFER PROPOSING THE RETURN OF THE WEST BANK OF THE JORDAN RIVER IN EXCHANGE FOR THE CONCLUSION OF A NON-BELLIGERENCY AGREEMENT. WE DO NOT POSSESS THE OFFICIAL TEXT OF THE STATEMENT AND THUS CANNOT COMMENT ON IT AT PRESENT."  
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